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OAKES PUBLIC SCHOOLS REGULAR BOARD MEETING CENTRAL CONFERENCE ROOM NOVEMBER 18, 2025, 7 AM Call to Order

President Heimbuch called the meeting to order at 7:02 am. Those present were President Monica Heimbuch, Vice President Sheila Nagel, Patti Kelly, Ryan Rosendahl with Brian Seyer being absent. Also present were Superintendent Anna Sell, Business Manager Shannon Jepson. Joining via Zoom from Elliot and McMahon is Sue Diegaard.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Sheila Nagel moved to approve the agenda. Patti Kelly second. Motion passed 4-0.

Teacher Ryan Schneider was welcomed. There were no public comments and no communications Student Outcomes-Goals

Summative Report-Goal #2 Math was changed to: Student Outcome Goal 2 was changed to: OPS will increase the percentage of students which are proficient or above in Grades 3-8 and Grade 10 Math as measured by the ND state A+ summative assessment from 51% in May 2025 to 70% in May 2030. OPS scored an average of 11 points higher in each assessed grade than the average ND scores. Goal Progress Monitoring Report-

GPM 2.1 Percentage of K-2 Learners at 65th Percentile on STAR Math GPM 2.2 Percentage of 3-6 Learners at 65th Percentile on STAR Math. Both. GPM 2.1 and 2.2 appear to be on track to reach our goals, as our historical data shows a trend of consistent and

Goal #2 Math

GPM 2.3 Percentage of 7-10 Leaners at 65th Percentile on STAR Math. After receiving our ND A+ results, we realized our GPM was not predictive of our performance. Despite our historical pattern indicating consistent drops from the fall to the spring, our performance in the last two years has been far above our goal indicating the potential

strong growth each school year.

for attainment of our spring goal. Patti Kelly moved to Accept both the Summative report and the Goal Progress Monitoring Report. Ryan Rosendahl second. Motion approved.

Quarter 3. Board Self-Evaluation. Sheila Nagel moved to approve the self-evaluation with the following:

Last Quarter, This Quarter, Next Quarter Objective 1: 12, 12, 12

Objective 2: 12, 12, 12 Objective 3: 13, 13, 13 Objective 4: 16, 6, 6, Objective 5: 15, 4, 15 Objective 6: 6, 6, 2

Totals: 74, 53, 60 Patti Kelly second. Motion passed

Consent Agenda

Ryan Rosendahl moved to approve the consent agenda. Sheila Nagel second. Motion has passed 4-0. The Consent Agenda includes: Approve October 21, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Receive October Financial Reports, Approve October bills, Approved November 6, 2025, Special Board Meeting Minutes, Accept Auditors Report, Approve 2025-202 Budget Amendment, Conduct Business Manager Evaluation.

Reports Reports are for information only and includes Business Manager's Report, Superintendent's Report, SRCTC October Board Meeting Minutes, SVSEU October Board Meeting Updates, and October Time Tracker

Items for Discussion and Possible Action

There were no items for discus-

Future Meetings

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, December 16, 2025, 7 AM

Regular Meeting, Tuesday, January 20, 2026, 7 AM Adjournment

There being no further Business for the Good of the Order, the meeting was adjourned at 7:44 AM

Monica Heimbuch, President Shannon Jepson, Business Manager Bills Paid:

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Parenting/Grandparenting 101: Week 7

By Nancy Hansen

Parenting is one of the hardest jobs you will get in your lifetime. This column was created to help you achieve the goal of raising your family to be a fine family unit.

Who is in charge of teaching your child? That depends on where you reside in the world. In some countries, all children belong to the state. Bureaucrats decide what the child will learn, and even what career they will have. Some governments take the child away from the parents and try to make them fit a certain mold. Actually, that was done in the United States in the past century with the native Indian children. They were sent to Indian boarding schools. One of my friends got a free college education in Moldova. However, she was forced to take banking as her major. It didn't suit her.

In Third World Countries many times there is no enforcement to have children educated. When my husband was doing construction in Kenya, he saw children all around, all day long. They seemed to have no adult supervision. I personally saw young children in Morrocco trying to sell Hashish to tourists in the middle of the

Throughout the history of mankind, public education was not a normal thing. Rich people could afford to hire tutors for the children (usually just the boys). However much of society for centuries, never learned how to read. During the late 18th and early 19th centuries, most schools in the United States did not mandate regular attendance. In many areas, students attended school for no more than three to four months

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Public education started in the East, and slowly moved West depending on the whims of the local communities. By 1870, every state had free elementary schools, albeit only in urban centers. Both of my grandmothers were one-room schoolteachers on the Dakota and Colorado prairies. One of them graduated in June: then attended a six-week school to obtain a teaching degree. Some of the big boys had been kept out of school for spring planting and fall harvesting, and they resented being in school, because they were behind the smaller kids. My little 17-year-old grandmother teacher came up behind one of the big troublemakers; grabbed his ear; and gave it a good twist. He went down on the ground in a rapid manner. He never gave her any more trouble.

In the United States today, we have free education through high school. A growing trend is for parents who are capable, to home school their children. This was discouraged when homeschooling first began. Then after testing, they found out that the home school children were beating the public-school children in most of the tests.

Whatever way you decide to have your child schooled, it is your responsibility to check on their homework; check on what is being taught in their school; and check on the school's policies on controlling bullying and purchasing library materials. Stay involved in their education. It is ultimately your responsibility to see that your children are growing up well.

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Cooper's Corner

by Martha MacLeod

A new jacket

My sister Judy noticed that Cooper, the quiet little Shih Tzu, needed a jacket so she decided to give him one for Christmas. Judy loves to shop online and did some extensive research on jackets for small dogs. She got a measuring tape out of my sewing box and took measurements around Cooper's neck and around his middle. She also took a measurement from the neck to the tail to get an idea of his size. His weight is 14 pounds and that makes him a size small.

Amazon is Judy's choice for online shopping. "They make it easy to return things," she says. She ordered a jacket in red and black plaid with Sherpa lining.

When Judy ordered the jacket we were having a heat wave. Snow was melting and running down the street. She thought she'd wrap the present and he could open it on Christmas Eve. But that didn't happen. When the package arrive temperatures were rapidly falling and the wind was coming up. "Let's have him open it now," said Jude.

Cooper was very happy to chew on the corners of the box and with a little help from his friends he was able to get inside, pull out the paper stuffing and get the jacket which was in a plastic bag. Cooper grabbed the plastic bag and began racing around the living room holding his head up high. He took the bag to his daybed which is where he goes with private matters. He was able to get the jacket out. He sniffed it, rolled on it and began rubbing his face in the Sherpa lining. However, he could find no squeaker in the jacket and so abandoned it in the middle of the front room. Not long after Judy picked it

up and went to his table by the window and put it on him. He was restless and so she only got it part way on, but one could see



that it fit. Cooper got it off and began sniffing it and talking to it as if it were a toy. Then he laid on it and took a nap.

We listened to Christmas music by Mannheim Steamroller. The trumpets and trombones soared high playing "Hallelujah." When they played "What child is this?" the harp provided accompaniment for the flute on the melody. On and on they played their wonderful arrangements of Christmas carols from every land. "Oh Holy Night" gave the violin and oboe a chance to shine on the melody. Cooper slept through it all.

When the strong blizzard winds came up with huge gusts and blowing snow school was closed. It was ideal weather for testing Cooper's jacket. So we woke him up from his slumber and put his jacket around his neck and belly. It fit just right and outside he went. He stood at the top of the stairs on the deck looking out over the backyard. The wind chime was dancing on the apple tree but we couldn't hear it because the wind was roaring. Cooper looked very handsome in his jacket but the wind blew him sideways and back inside he

All three of us snuggled on the sofa and listened to more Christmas music.

From our house to yours we wish you all the joy of the Bethlehem star, the shepherds, the angels and the newborn child, the Son of Mary.

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<u>Spasm</u> by Robin Cook.

Laurie Montgomery steps down as Chief Medical Examiner, giving her and Jack a rare break. Their vacation plans change when Jack's old classmate, Robert Neilson—a small-town doctor and coroner in Essex Falls, New York—asks for help. A healthy pest control worker has died suddenly, and there's an outbreak of fast-moving Alzheimer's-like cases. Laurie and Jack head to the scenic Adirondacks, but the town is struggling socially and economically. When the pest control worker's body vanishes before an autopsy, Jack dives into an investigation that reveals the most terrifying method of killing

The House Guests by Amber & Danielle Brown. A year after her mother's tragic death, Iris is exhausted and desperate for a break. She joins her partner and friends at a secluded lake house in the Catskills—but when she arrives early, she sees a blood-covered man burying something in the mud. By morning, everything looks normal. As unsettling clues pile up and no one believes her, Iris wonders if she's losing her grip—or if a killer is among them. Can she trust anyone... even herself?

The Seven Ring (The Lost Brides #3) by Christina Furnival. Sonya MacTavish lives in a Maine manor cursed for generations. Seven brides have died there, and seven break the curse and defeat the

rings have been stolen. To vengeful spirit haunting the house, Sonya must uncover her family's hidden past and fight a battle between worlds. But the dark witch who feeds on fear will stop at nothing to claim Poole Manor—and Sonya's future.

We continue to have a

generous collection of Large Print books from NDSL. Stop by and look! **Bookworm Discovery Class** - 2nd Wednesday of the month

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